Regulation of E-commerce

1590. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that distance selling through TV and internet is picking up;

(b) whether there is any law to regulate and control this activity;

(c) if so, details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Removal of photos from the Constitution

†1591. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 22 photos have been removed from the original copy of the Constitution which was enforced after being adopted, imbibed and dedicated by the Constituent Assembly; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) It has been verified from the copy of the original Constitution, as adopted by the Constituent Assembly, which is available in Parliament Library that none of the photos in the original Constitution has been removed.

(b) Question does not arise.

Allotment of mines to private companies

1592. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are policy guidelines for allotment of mines to private sector companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any minimum operational period required for a private company to get allotment of mineral blocks; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY): (a) and (b) State Governments are the owners of the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.